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1		1. A method for detecting the presence of at least one selected strain of an organism
2		in a sample, comprising the steps of:
3		providing a sample that may comprise nucleic acid from at least one selected
4		strain of an organism and nucleic acid from at least one non-selected strain of the
5		organism;
6		providing a plurality of primers substantially complementary to regions of both
7		said nucleic acid from at least one selected strain of the organism and said nucleic acid
8		from at least one non-selected strain of the organism;
9	-	exposing said sample to at least one probe that is sufficiently complementary to a
10	, į	portion of said nucleic acid from at least one non-selected strain to block full length
11		amplification of said nucleic acid from at least one non-selected strain between said
12		plurality of primers, said at least one probe comprising a nucleic acid analog;
13		amplifying said nucleic acid from at least one selected strain between said
14		plurality of primers; and
15 ·		detecting amplification product of nucleic acid from at least one selected strain.
1	P	2. The method of claim 1, wherein said at least one selected strain comprises a
2		pathogenic strain.
1		3. The method of claim 2, wherein said sample is derived from a subject and said
2		pathogenic strain indicates a risk of cancerous growth in said subject.
1		4. The method of claim 1, wherein said organism comprises human papilloma virus
2		(HPV).
1		5. The method of claim 1, wherein said at least one probe comprises PNA.
1		6. The method of claim 5, wherein said at least one probe further comprises a
2		nucleotide different from PNA.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein each of said at least one probe comprises at least 1 8 bases. 2 8. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of amplifying said nucleic acid of at least 1 2 one selected strain between said plurality of primers comprises conducting a reaction 3 selected from the group consisting of a polymerase chain reaction, a ligase chain reaction, a rolling circle replication, a branched chain amplification, a nucleic acid 4 based sequence amplification (NASBA), a Cleavase Fragment Length 5 Polymorphism, ICAN and RAM. 6 The method of claim 4, wherein said regions of both said nucleic acids are 9. 1 parts of a region selected from the group consisting of L1, L2, E1, E6, and E7 region. 2 10. The method of claim 4, wherein said at least one non-selected strain equals 1 all the low-risk HPV strains known. 2 11. The method of claim 4, wherein said at least one non-selected strain is 1 selected from the group consisting of HPV strains 6, 11, 42, 43, and 44. 2 . The method of claim 4, wherein said at least one selected strain comprises a 12. 1 plurality of high-risk HPV strains. 2 13. The method of claim 4, wherein said plurality of primers comprise MY09 and 1 MY11 (SEQ. ID. NOS. 10 and 11). 2 The method of claim 4, wherein said at least one probe is selected from the 14. 1 group of sequences consisting of SEQ. ID. NO. 6 and SEQ. ID. NO. 7. 2 The method of claim 1, wherein said sample is a cervical scraping. 15. 1 1 16. The method of claim 1, wherein said step of detecting amplification

product comprises in-gel electrophoresis of said product and staining said product

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with ethidium bromide.

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